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SECRET CK MR 210 TO: [] FROM WASHINGTON

TO: [] FROM KIRKPATRICK BY ALIEN CITE WA-2472

REUR MEMORANDUM NUMBER 262 RPT 262, DATED 29 RPT 29 JULY,
CONCERNING NIKOLAI POPPE RPT NIKOLAI POPPE: YOUR HANDLING OF THIS
SITUATION HAS LEFT AN EXTREMELY FAVORABLE IMPRESSION HERE. THERE
IS NO QUESTION THAT IT WOULD HAVE HELPED YOUR OFFICE GREATLY HAD
WE GIVEN YOU INFORMATION ON THIS CASE TWO MONTHS AGO. HOWEVER, THERE
ARE SO MANY RAMIFICATIONS, BOTH WITHIN THE AGENCY AND INCLUDING OTHER
BRANCHES OF THE GOVERNMENT, THAT IT MAY STILL BE SOMETIME BEFORE
WE KNOW WHERE WE STAND. IT IS LITERALLY TRUE THAT HAD WE TOLD YOU
YESTERDAY OUR BEST ESTIMATE OF THE PRESENT OUTLOOK, WE WOULD HAVE
TO REVISE THAT ESTIMATE AS OF TODAY. WE CAN GIVE YOU COMPLETE ASSURANCE
THAT THE MINUTE WE REALLY KNOW WHERE WE STAND AND WHERE SUBJECT
STANDS, WE WILL FORWARD THAT INFORMATION TO YOU. MEANWHILE, IF YOU
FEEL YOU ARE LEFT SOMEWHAT IN THE DARK, WE CAN GIVE YOU THE FURTHER
ASSURANCE THAT THE ONLY LIGHT THAT WE CAN SHED WOULD BE FITFUL AND
UNCERTAIN. THANK YOU FOR HANDLING THE MATTER SO SUCCESSFULLY WHEN YOU
HAD SO LITTLE TO GO ON.

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